

Dear parent/guardian of [FIRST NAME],

Congratulations! Your student in the [INSERT HIGH SCHOOL] class of 2026 is eligible to engage in *Indiana Pre-Admissions: Your Path to College.*

Your student can attend one of our colleges in Indiana! Based on their cumulative GPA through their junior year, SAT score, and/or intended diploma type, they have been pre-admitted to the following colleges.

Ball State University	Bethel University
Franklin College	Goshen College
Hanover College	Holy Cross College
Indiana State University	Indiana Tech
Indiana University Columbus	Indiana University East
Indiana University Indianapolis	Indiana University Kokomo
Indiana University South Bend	Indiana University Southeast
Ivy Tech Community College	Manchester University
Marian University - Indianapolis	Marian University - St. Joseph's College
Oakland City University	Purdue University
Purdue University Northwest	Purdue University Fort Wayne
Trine University	University of Evansville
University of Saint Francis	University of Southern Indiana
Vincennes University	WGU Indiana
	Franklin College Hanover College Indiana State University Indiana University Columbus Indiana University Indianapolis Indiana University South Bend Ivy Tech Community College Marian University - Indianapolis Oakland City University Purdue University Northwest Trine University University of Saint Francis

With a few next steps, your student could have a spot in next fall's new student class! They can enroll in any path from a short-term training certificate to a four-year bachelor's degree program.

YOUR STUDENT'S NEXT STEPS ARE:

- 1. RESEARCH all their options for college at LearnMoreIndiana.org/preadmit.
- 2. **SUBMIT AN APPLICATION** to secure their admission to any of the colleges above. Note: Each institution may have more conditions to secure their admission. Your student can access each college's application and other details by scanning the QR code. (They can also visit the link above.)



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- 3. APPLY TO OTHER COLLEGES OF INTEREST in Indiana. Visit the link or scan the QR code to access application links.
- **4. CREATE THEIR STUDENTAID.GOV ACOUNT** in preparation for filing the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). Indiana has more than \$400M in state financial aid, and there is federal and campus-specific aid, too. Flip the page for more information.
- 5. MARK THEIR CALENDAR to file the FAFSA by April 15. The application opens in October, and it's best to file as early as possible. They can sign up for a reminder at LearnMoreIndiana.org/FAFSA. Click on "I need help filing."

Your student's hard work has led to this moment. They have great choices after high school and a bright future ahead!

Chris R. Lowery Commissioner, Indiana Commission for Higher Education PreAdmissions@che.in.gov







What is the FAFSA?

The **Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)** is the most important document for getting money to help you pay for college. Financial aid is the term used for that money, which comes in the form of grants, scholarships, and loans.

To enroll in college in fall 2026, your student will file the 2026-2027 FAFSA. This year's FAFSA will open on **October 1, 2025**. To qualify for Indiana's state financial aid, your student should file by Indiana's priority deadline of **April 15, 2026**.

When it is time to file the FAFSA, the parent(s) and their student will need to create a **StudentAid.gov account (formerly FSA ID)**. A *legal guardian* of a student does **not** need to create an account.

Resources needed to create a StudentAid.gov account:

- 1. Your Social Security number (SSN)
- 2. Your full legal name
- 3. Your date of birth
- 4. Your mailing address
- 5. An e-mail address that is unique to you (personal e-mail, not work e-mail)
- 6. A memorable username and password (store them somewhere safe)

Resources needed to file the FAFSA:

- 1. Your StudentAid.gov username and password
- 2. Your Social Security number (SSN)
- 3. Your driver's license number, if applicable
- 4. Your 2024 federal tax returns, if applicable (IRS forms 1040, 1040EZ, or 1040A)
- 5. The 2024 federal tax returns for your student, if applicable (IRS forms 1040, 1040EZ, or 1040A)
- 6. Records of money earned, including W-2 forms and recent bank statements
- 7. Alien registration numbers or permanent residence cards, if you are not a U.S. citizen
- 8. Six-digit FAFSA codes for any institutions your student is applying to. Use these codes to send your student's FAFSA information to the colleges. Your student will be able to add up to 20 colleges at a time. Find the FAFSA codes at LearnMoreIndiana.org/preadmit. (You can also scan the QR code on the front side of this letter.)

How do I file the FAFSA?

The easiest way to file the FAFSA is online at https://studentaid.gov/h/apply-for-aid/fafsa. The website also provides a printer-friendly PDF if your student prefers to mail their FAFSA or a parent signature form is required. It is strongly recommended that your student files electronically.

During parts of the year, there are two FAFSAs open at the same time. Make sure that your student files the **2026-2027 FAFSA**.

For more information about StudentAid.gov account creation and the FAFSA, visit **LearnMoreIndiana.org/FAFSA**. Furthermore, **LearnMoreIndiana.org/scholarships** has information about additional scholarship opportunities.

Are you interested in going back to school?

For more information on the Adult Student Grant and Workforce Ready Grant, visit https://on.in.gov/financialaidprograms.





